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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

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Con of Serial No.: 09/314,878

Examiner: Unknown

Group Art Unit: Unknown

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For:

SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR ESTABLISHING VASCULAR ACCESS

APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Asst. Commissioner For Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the ☒ utility ☐ design patent application in this case including:

1. ☒ This application is a ☒ Continuation; ☐ Divisional
☐ Continuation in Part of prior application Serial No. 09/314,878 filed on May 19, 1999
2. ☐ This application claims priority from Provisional Application No. _____, filed _____
3. ☒ The application consisting of 16 pages (including specification, claims and abstract).
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 - a. ☒ formal; or
 - b. ☐ informal; formal drawings will be submitted in due course.
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6. ☐ A declaration and power of attorney is not enclosed at this time since it has not been executed by the inventor(s). A signed declaration and power of attorney will be submitted in due course.
The inventors are John E. Carlson, Craig K. Tsuji, Scott L. Harris and Michael J. Orth.
7. ☒ The parent case was assigned to Innerydyne, Inc., the Assignment was recorded at the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on August 12, 1999 at Reel 010163, Frame 0955.

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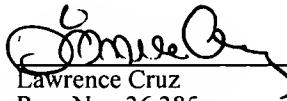
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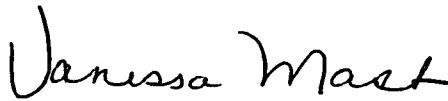
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